



THE CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY

OUR MISSION IS TO:

- DRAW people to faith in Christ
- GROW people in their commitment to Christ
- REACH OUT beyond ourselves with the love of Christ



OUR SERVICES TODAY

- THEME:** Serving in the Body
- READINGS:** Romans 12:1-8 & Matthew 5:14-16
- SENTENCE:** They cried out in fear, but Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid" Matthew 14:26-27
- COLLECT:** Merciful God, hearten us, so that like Peter we may have faith even when we fail. Grant that any recognition we receive brings worship not to ourselves but to you. Through Jesus Christ our Liberator, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Welcome

SERMON NOTES

KIDS CORNER

WHAT ELSE DID GOD CREATE?

This weeks question in the
Nativity Kids &
Intermediates - a reminder
for us all!

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Please pray for that the families of Marlborough.

- Pray for our Tunes for Tots outreach, the families represented in those that attend, and the team that run this each week during the school term. Pray that we will find opportunities to invite them to learn more of God
- Pray also for our First Steps programme - that it will grow in numbers and the church will be able to welcome more young families.

Ask God how He might want us to be involved in welcoming and supporting of all newcomers when they do come.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember to add your prayer requests to the box in the foyer. A pen and paper is provided. These will be collected each week to be prayed over.

Raewyn Parkes (c/o 578 3909) or 022-0786902 and Jane Sheat (578-9004) are our Prayer Chain Coordinators. Please phone them with any requests you have for the prayer chain during the week.

NEWS AND EVENTS

PEACE SUNDAY

"And no one shall make them afraid"

Micah 4:4b.

The Christian World Service invites us all to remember Peace Sunday as a time to explore our responsibility to be peacemakers. We especially remember people killed or hurt when the first atomic bombs were dropped on the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki 75 years ago, and our Pacific neighbours whose lives have been affected by nuclear testing. In our hearts we hold a deep sadness for people facing violence and war. We long for the peace that passes understanding, that turns swords into plough-shares, that comes wrapped with justice.

In the name of God we come in hope and expectation. Our hearts are open to hear your word. Amen

END OF LIFE CHOICE ACT

Rev. Dr Graham O'Brien spoke last Saturday at an open meeting regarding the End of Life Choice Act (EOLC). A recording of this will soon be available. There is also more information from him available on the Nelson Anglican website

<https://nelsonanglicans.com/resourcesblog/endoflifechoiceact> and other reputable organisation such as Family First to assist you in making an informed decision in this binding referendum taking place on election day this year. There are also resources available on the Cannabis Legalization and Control Bill. Please contact the office if you would like assistance accessing these.



SPRING CAMP 2020

Nelson Anglican Top of the South Spring Camp 23rd-26th October at Bridge Valley Camp for years 9-13

- Registrations open on the 15th of August- Cost: \$125
- Leaders get special pricing, talk to your youth group leader about this.
- Tickets for campers are limited to 100 so get in quick!
- To Register (from 15th August) follow this link: www.springcamp.co.nz

SOUP AND BUNS

Our next "Soup and Buns" fundraiser will be after the 10am service on Sunday the 23rd of August. Do feel welcome join for food and fellowship even if this is not your usual service. Funds raised will go towards improvements for our church!

SOUP, SAVOURY & BUN LUNCH

Sunday 23rd August 2020

COST \$5.00 PER PERSON & \$15 FAMILY

Soup will be served in the Nativity Lounge at approx. 11.30am till Midday.

Tea & coffee available as usual.

Vegetarian, Gluten & Dairy free available

COMING UP:

AUGUST

Mondays 10th & 24th	Care & Share
Wednesday 12th & 26th	Intercessory Prayer Group 4pm Barnies
Saturday 15th Fridays	Organ Concert at Nativity Tunes for Tots 9:30am Hall and Lounge Link 1pm in the Lounge

SEPTEMBER SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday 19th	National General Election and Referendums
Saturday 26th	Plant Sale Church Fundraiser

LOST PROPERTY

There are a number of lost property items in the office. If you have lost a hat or item of clothing please contact the office.

OUR STAFF AND PARISH LEADERS

Priest in Charge
Assistant Priests

Administrator
Parish Nurse
Receptionist
Counselling
Chaplain to the Elderly
Oversight to Care Cells
Vicar's Warden
People's Warden
Prayer Facilitators
Prayer Chain

Sue Howarth & Joe Keighley
Kaye Dyer
John Neal
Miriam Taylor
Kevin Thompson
Kathy Taylor
Raewyn Parkes
Rosalind Mundy
Kathy Hammond
Alison Brice
Jo Danks/Sue Howarth
Stephen Sheat
Jennifer Bennett-Burrows
Jane Sheat & Jan Burrough
Jane Sheat & Raewyn Parkes

CONTACT US



Monday - Wednesday 9am - 1pm
Thursday - Friday 9am - 12noon



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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sundays 8am	Sung Eucharist Service <i>Church</i>
Sundays 10am	Family Communion <i>Church</i>
Thursday 10am	Eucharist Service <i>St Barnabas Chapel (Barnies)</i>

The office will be open on
Mondays - Wednesdays
from **9am - 1pm** and on
Thursdays and Fridays
from **9am - 12:00pm**.

Outside these hours please
leave a note or message via
phone or e-mail and we will
get back to you.